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Dear Mr. Waddell:

In response to your letter dated June 13, 2000, attached is AT&T's responses to the data request regarding AT&T's recently filed Tariff 00-00409 to revise Late Payment language in the General Services Tariff and Tariff 00-00412 to introduce a Late Payment Charge in the Custom Network Services Tariff.

If you have questions, please call me on 615-259-2830.

Sincerely,


Garry Sharp

Late Payment Data Request

1. Will AT&T customers who subscribe to DDD services as defined in Tenn. Admin. Rule 1220-4-2-.55(2)(d) be subject to the late charge provisions proposed by Tariffs 00-00409 and 00-00412?

(A) Yes

2. Does the introduction of late charges for customers whose rates are capped by Tenn. Admin. Rule 1220-4-2-.55(2) constitute an increase in existing rates in violation of said Rule? Explain your answer

(A) No. Pursuant to Rule 1220-4-2-.55(2), only rates for DDD services are capped. A late payment charge is not a rate for DDD service as defined by Rule 1220-4-2-.55(2)(d) 1. A late payment charge is a charge assessed for non-payment of services rendered to the customer whose account remains unpaid at the time the next bill is prepared.